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## We've Had Enough

An editorial in the Brooks Bulletin

There seems to be a great deal of lethargy among the people of Alberta and in fact, Western Canada, in opposing the proposed additional increase in railway freight rates. True the western provincial government are putting up strong opposition, but there is little fire among the people.

The prairie provinces are exceedingly unfortunate in their location when it comes to transportation. The lack of navigable rivers and lakes leaves the region in the position of a natural monopoly area for the railways. The situation is different in Ontario and Quebec, where the Great Lakes and a number of large rivers provide competition for the railways.

A short time ago the railways were granted a 21 percent increase. This was absorbed by the 12 percent increase in pay granted to railway em-

ployees. Now the roads want another large increase. The west must bear the great burden of any such increases. We pay the freight both ways.

The real danger in the allowing of further freight increases lies in the possibility of such concessions. No one ever hears of freight rates coming down. If the people of the West readily submit to an increase in the burden of freight costs they may expect to carry the load for generations to come. Already we have done too much for Eastern Canada. We cannot and will not continue to accept the "short end of the stick".

Eastern Canada has grown fat and prosperous at the expense of the West. For more they benefit the more they want. We are getting fed up of the continuous exploitation of our great fertile area.

## New Lard Parcel Now Available

Ottawa.—A new package to help meet one of the greatest single needs of undernourished European families—a ten pound package of lard—has been announced by Green Melvin, Canadian representative of CARE.

The new lard parcel is being offered at \$5.50 and orders may now be sent to Canadian CARE, 193 Sparks Street, Ottawa, with delivery guaranteed in Austria, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Poland and the American, British & French zones of Germany.

For the city of Berlin, the price of the package has been set at \$6.50 since CARE is unable to maintain its customary stockpile there as a

result of the blockade, and the packages must be flown in from Frankfurt.

The product contained in the new parcel is called "Swift" lard. It requires no refrigeration and will not turn rancid.

CARE's addition of the lard package is the result of surveys disclosing that the lack of fats remains one of Europe's most serious nutrition problems.

As in the case with all other CARE packages, the lard will be admitted to Europe without duties or taxes of any kind, and the recipients will lose no part of their regular rations. It may be sent to relatives or friends or designated groups.

—People's Weekly.

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## Alberta's Future Amazes Speaker

(By John Fisher, on CBC)

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Let the Albertan talk—he'll tell you in Edmonton, Canada's biggest northern city, now nearly 130,000 people is only half way up the province. Beyond for hundreds of miles stretch the rich lands of the Peace, home of nearly all the world wheat kings

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